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CASUAL DOCUMENTS,

ADDRESSED TO THE

REFLECTION

OF HIS

Relations and particular Friends.

BY WILLIAM TATHAM,

A CITIZEN OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,
BORN IN ENGLAND.

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INTRODUCTORY REASONS

FOR THIS

ADDRESS.

FEELING that I have experienced very unnatural family receptions, as well as finding it ſo remarked by many acquaintances on two viſits to my native country, after an abſence of twenty years in the firſt inſtance, and ſeven in the latter; knowing no cauſe which ſhould eſtrange me from thoſe common offices of relative attention which ſocial communities hold ſacred both in civilized and ſavage life, and which mankind look up to by unanimous aſſent, as the ordinary courſe of primary recommendation in our intercourſe amongſt Men, and in our ſtruggles for a well earned competency; impreſſed with a warm ſenſe of ſelf-evident mutual obligation, and being unwilling to think my own relations leſs liberal than other people, it is not eaſy for me to cheriſh an idea that they continue a mere political reſentment againſt an individual, which the late contending powers themſelves have buried in oblivion, by mutual acts of amneſty and forgiveneſs.

Having, however, met with many inconſiſtent reproaches on this head (which, together with my being *a ſtranger*, has been aſſigned in a late inſtance as ſufficient cauſe to deny me an introduction to a reſpectable branch of my neareſt kindred) a pointed diſreſpect from ſeveral of thoſe in town (during a ſtay of fifteen months in this metropolis of *boaſted* liberty and hoſpitality, having ſubjected me to many inconveniences, as well as doubtful conjectures among friends of my perſonal acquiſition, while I have miſtaken it for the generous aſylum of my diſmiſſal from the Court* of Spain!) and being thus perſuaded that I may have been ſecretly injured by the dark whiſper of ſome baſe incendiary, whom it behoves me to call forth into open day, I ſhall be pardoned by men of liberal minds for exhibiting a chain of caſual vouchers within the circle of my family and friends, which ſeem meet to guard a reputation that has not been leſs dear to me in a diſtant land, than if it had been foſtered by parental cares, which domeſtic broils and national ſtrife have denied to me, while they have been applied to the excluſive aid of my more fortunate younger brother, *Captain Sandford Tatham, of the Royal Navy.*

WM. TATHAM.

London, No. 6, *Frith-ſtreet, Soho.*
December 16, 1797.

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STATE OF VIRGINIA.

HENRICO COUNTY, viz.

I DO certify, that about fifteen years ago, I received the bearer, William Tatham, then a boy, from his friends in England, on board a ſhip, under my command, and brought him a paſſenger to Virginia, where he was brought up in the mercantile buſineſs, in the houſe of Meſſrs. Carter and Trent, I have full opportunity of obſerving his conduct then and ſince, and think it has always been ſuch as became a man of honeſty and upright morals, and always a true friend to America. Given under my hand and ſeal, this the 2d day January, 1784.

ISAAC YOUNGHUSBAND, (L. S.)

A Magiſtrate for the County.

Richmond, January 3, 1784.

I HAVE been acquainted with Mr. William Tatham for twelve years, during which time he always acted and conducted himſelf as a perſon of probity and honeſty.

I do certify, That during the late conteſt with Great Britain for freedom and independence,

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that Mr. Tatham acted with ſpirit, activity, and firmneſs.

Certified under my hand, this 3d day of January, 1784. WILLIAM DU VAL,
*Attorney at Law.

I do with pleaſure join *Major Du Val in the above. (Signed) WM. BARRET,
Captain Baylor's Dragoons.

I HEREBY certify, That I have been acquainted with Mr. William Tatham for a number of years, while he lived in Richmond, and having had frequent opportunity of obſerving his conduct, I believe him to be a perſon of ſtrict integrity, and one who has always ſupported a good moral character.

During the late conteſt with Britain, he uniformly profeſſed his attachment to America, and has, on ſeveral occaſions, been forward and active in the cauſe.

Certified under my hand, at Richmond, this 6th January, 1784.

JAMES BUCHANAN,
An Alderman of the City.

* Note—in the United States of America military atchievements are not degraded by an attention to the more deſirable walks of civil profeſſions; nor are thoſe thought diſhonourable if they are but honeſt in their kind.

Richmond

Richmond City, State of Virginia.

3*d January*, 1784.

I HEREBY certify, That I have known the bearer, Mr. William Tatham, for a conſiderable number of years. As far as ever I knew or heard, he always behaved with real honeſty and generous candour in private, and when in the American army.

I have always conſidered him as a very deſerving young man, and as free from the vices incident to youth as moſt men.

PETER STRACHAN, M.D.

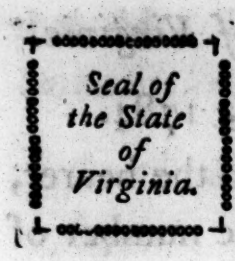
Virginia, City of Richmond, Sct.

I, JOHN BECKLEY, Mayor of the ſaid City, do certify, That Iſaac Younghuſband, William Du Val, William Barrett, James Buchanan, and Peter Strachan, Eſquires, who have ſigned the annexed certificates, do hold the offices, and are of the occupations therein mentioned, and that due faith and credence ought to be given to the ſame.

Given under my hand and the ſeal of this city, this 6th day of January, 1784.

JOHN BECKLEY.

[Seal *pendant* annexed.]



By His Excellency Benjamin Harriſon, Eſquire, Governor and Commander in Chief of the Commonwealth of Virginia.

This is to certify to all whom it may concern, That John Beckley, eſquire, is and was Mayor of the city of Richmond, on the ſixth day of January, 1784.

Given under my hand and the ſeal of the Commonwealth, this eighth day of January, 1784.

BENJ. HARRISON.

Virginia, City of Richmond, Sct.

Perſonally appeared before me, John Beckley, Mayor of the ſaid city, Edmund Randolph, Eſquire, Attorney General of the Commonwealth, and declares that he has been acquainted with Mr. William Tatham (late a reſident of the ſaid city) ſeveral years, and believes him to be a man of fair and upright moral character. That during the late war with Great Britain, he acted as a firm and decided friend to America; and in general, through all the walks of life, ſince the ſaid Edmund Randolph became acquainted with him, as a man of honour and integrity.

EDMUND RANDOLPH.

6th January, 1784.

To which atteſtation of the ſaid Edmund Randolph, Eſq; I, the ſaid John Beckley, Mayor as aforeſaid, do ſubjoin and certify, that from my perſonal acquaintance with the ſaid William Tatham, for many years paſt, I believe that he juſtly merits the character and good opinion expreſſed in the foregoing certificate.

Seal of the City of Richmond.

Given under my hand, and the ſeal of the ſaid city, this ſixth day of January, 1784.

JOHN BECKLEY,

N. B. The above named Edmund Randolph was afterwards Governor of Virginia, Attorney General of the United States, and Secretary of State; and the above John Beckley, Clerk of the Houſe of Delegates in Congreſs.

The foregoing Teſtimonials were in Compliance with the Laws of North Carolina, previous to the following Admiſſion to the Bar.

State of North Carolina, Sct.

To the Juſtices of the ſeveral County Courts of Pleas and Quarter-ſeſſions within the ſaid State.

Whereas William Tatham, Eſquire, late of the Commonwealth of Virginia, hath applied to us, the

ſubſcribers, *Judges of the Superior Courts of Law and Equity* in the ſaid State, to be admitted to practice as an Attorney in the ſeveral County Courts within the ſame. And whereas the ſaid William Tatham, upon examination had before us, appears to be of * *an unblemiſhed moral character*, as well as to poſſeſs a competent ſhare of knowledge in the law, for the purpoſe aforeſaid.

We therefore, in purſuance of the power and authority committed to us by Act of the General Aſſembly, in that caſe made and provided, do hereby admit the ſaid William Tatham to plead and practice as an Attorney in the ſaid ſeveral County Courts of Pleas and Quarter Seſſions within the ſaid State, with all the privileges and emoluments which of right appertain to Attornies and Practicers of the Law in the ſaid County Courts; he, the ſaid William Tatham, taking the ſeveral Oaths by law appointed for his qualification.

Given under our hands and ſeals, the twenty-fourth day of March, 1784, in the eighth year of the Independence of this State.

SAM. ASHE, (L. S.)
SAM. SPENCER, (L. S.)
JOHN WILLIAMS. (L. S.)

* *The expreſs requiſition of the law.*

Mr.

Mr. William Tatham, having announced to us his intention of leaving America, and his wiſhes to carry with him ſome teſtimony of his conduct and character, which may prove ſatisfactory to his friends in England; we do therefore certify, that the ſaid William Tatham has ever ſupported a fair and irreproachable character; which, together with the zeal, activity, and bravery he on ſeveral occaſions diſplayed during the late war, acquired him the eſteem of thoſe who were acquainted with his conduct.

THO. JEFFERSON.
S. HARDY.
JAS. MUNROE.

Annapolis, 6th April, 1784.

N. B. The original is authenticated under the Great Seal of North Carolina. The above Gentlemen were Delegates in Congreſs from Virginia, of which Mr. Jefferſon was Governor; Mr. Hardy died in Congreſs, highly reſpected; Mr. Jefferſon has been ſince many years Ambaſſador in France, Secretary of State, and is now Vice-Preſident of the United States. Mr. Monroe is alſo well known as Ambaſſador to France.

BEING informed that Lieutenant Colonel William Tatham, of the State of North Carolina, formerly of Virginia, has in view to be ſome time abſent from his

his place of reſidence, I conceive it a duty which I owe to him, as a man of merit, to give the beſt teſtimonial in my power thereof; as well to make known the eſtimation in which I hold Colonel Tatham, as that he may in ſome degree be benefited in his future proſpects.

In the year 1776, Colonel Tatham ſerved as an officer under my command, in an expedition againſt the Cherokee Indians on Holſton, during which ſervice his conduct merited both my approbation and thanks, and ſtrongly evinced his attachment to the cauſe of America; in which character he appears to have been active, enterprizing, and uniform in every ſituation I have known him.

I do not ſuppoſe it material to be more particular, being perſuaded that nothing can be alledged prejudicial to the view in which I hold him. My friendſhip and good wiſhes for, and good opinion of Colonel Tatham, has drawn from me the above declaration; if he is ſerved thereby, I ſhall be compenſated, and I am in hopes thoſe ſervices will be conferred on one who will, as he has done, prove himſelf to be virtuous and meritorious.

W. RUSSEL.

I do certify, that the above is in the hand-writing of Brigadier General Ruſſel.

CHAS. SCOTT, Major General.

State of Virginia.

Richmond, December, 1789.

LIEUTENANT Colonel Tatham, of Carolina, (formerly of Virginia) having announced to me his intention to travel towards the Fœderal ſeat of America, where, being a ſtranger, he may poſſibly find occaſion for credentials,

I therefore take this method to make known, in token of my eſteem for the ſaid Colonel Tatham, that he ſerved under my command at Williamſburg, in the year 1779. I had there occaſion to uſe his ſervices in the confidential line in the neighbourhood of the enemy, and found his activity, enterprize, and attachment to the cauſe of America, ſuch as merited my approbation and thanks.

I have from that time frequently had opportunities of obſerving or hearing of his conduct, and conſider it to have been uniformly in character of the good citizen and ſoldier united.

I conceive it unneceſſary to ſay more, and with pleaſure ſubſcribe this teſtimony.

CHAS. SCOTT,

Late Major General of the American Army.

Richmond, 21ſt January, 1789.

LIEUTENANT Colonel William Tatham, having it in contemplation to viſit the ſeat of Fœderal Government,

vernment, and being a ſtranger there, application hath been made on his behalf to me: I therefore, in addition to my knowledge of the ſaid Colonel Tatham, cauſed enquiry to be further made, and feel happy in an opportunity to do him that juſtice his ſituation merits, by certifying, that I have the fulleſt ſatisfaction of his being a man of ſtrict integrity, uprightneſs and honour, in all the walks of civil life; and, as a Military Officer, active, enterprizing and perſevering, in both which characters he hath behaved himſelf with uniformity and zeal, amongſt the warmeſt friends to the American cauſe.

JOHN PRIDE.

N. B. The late Hon. John Pride (deceaſed) was then Speaker of the Senate of Virginia, having filled that office many years with great reſpectability, and dying afterwards much lamented.

War Department, July 22, 1791.

SIR,

I HAVE been ſearching the maps in this office, but cannot find any which would be of ſervice, or on which dependance could be placed.

The ſketch mentioned by General Sevier is not with me, nor do I remember to have had it.

It would afford me pleaſure to have furniſhed any thing which would have aided your laudable deſign,

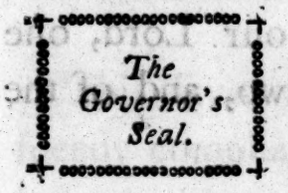
design, to which I wish all imaginable perfection and success.

I am, Sir,

Your most obedient Servant,

H. KNOX, Secretary of War.

Colonel William Tatham.



WILLIAM BLOUNT, Governor in and over the Territory of the United States of America, south of the river Ohio.

To all who shall see these Presents, greeting,

KNOW ye, that I do licence William Tatham, Esquire, of the County of Sullivan, in the said territory, to practice as an Attorney in the several Courts of Law and Equity in the said territory.

Given under my hand and seal, in the said territory, this second day of September, one thousand seven hundred and ninety-two.

WILLIAM BLOUNT.

Commonwealth of Virginia.

WHEREAS, William Tatham hath produced to us a certificate from the Court of the County of Henrico, of his probity and good demeanour; and we having

having examined him, touching his capacity, fitneſs, and ability to practiſe Law in the inferior and ſuperior Courts of this Commonwealth, find him duly qualified.

Theſe are therefore to licence the ſaid William Tatham to practiſe Law in the ſaid Courts.

Given under our hands and ſeals, this fifteenth day of December, in the year of our Lord, one thouſand ſeven hundred and ninety-two, and of the Commonwealth the ſeventeenth.

*EDMUND WINSTON, (Seal.)
*JOHN TYLER, (Seal.)
*WM. NELSON, Jun. (Seal.)

SIR,

I TAKE the liberty to requeſt a ſingular favor of you, with a conviction that no other acquaintance is ſo well qualified to grant it, or will with more promptitude comply.

I begin to find a neceſſity to arrange the diſtrict of Virginia into ſub-diſtricts, in order that my official duties may be more pointedly executed; this neceſſity only occurs from the department of Exciſe.

My propoſition is, that you will make the arrangement, by allotting the diviſions to about twelve or

* Theſe Gentlemen are Judges of the General Court.

fourteen

fourteen deputies, not confining yourſelf, however, to the preciſe number as above; regarding more properly the extent of territory, rather than an equal number of counties or inhabitants, in order that the ridings may be rendered more convenient.

You will be pleaſed alſo to note the moſt advantageous ſpot for the reſidence of each deputy, together with the exiſting line of communication.

This favor can only be enhanced by the moſt ſpeedy compliance; the ſame ſhall ever be acknowledged with gratitude, by your ſincere friend, &c.

D. M. RANDOLPH.

Preſquiſle, 11th October, 1793.

N. B. *Mr. Randolph was then Marſhal of the United States for the above Diſtrict.*

By deſire of Colonel Tatham, I do hereby certify, that the foregoing papers, from number one to ſixteen, both included, are copies of other papers which appear to be originals.

Witneſs my hand, and the ſeal of the Legation, this 24th November, 1797.

*RUFUS KING.

* Mr. King is Miniſter Plenipotentiary from the United States of America, near his Britannic Majeſty.

If any further teſtimony of a fair and honourable ſtanding is wanted, from the country where family neglect has deſtined me to ſtand alone for twenty-five years of my life, it may be found on the records of the Privy Council, whereof I was for ſome time a confidential Clerk; on the Records of the Legiſlature, whereof I have been a member; in the Reſolutions of both Legiſlative and Executive Departments, for public Services; and in the unanimous vote of the military order of Cincinnatus of the Virginia Line of the American Army.

If it is deemed further neceſſary to ſcrutinize my paſſage from America to *England* (for in that my *native* land, and amongſt my own relations only, have I found the origin of doubts, diſtruſt, and maltreatment in life) I ſhall ſuffer the paſſports to ſpeak for me.

WM. TATHAM.

Don Joseph de Jaudenes, Comiſario, Ordenador de los Reales Exercitos, y Embiado de ſu Mag^{d}. Catholica cerca de los Eſtados Unidos de America, &c.

En viſta del paſaporte que me ha preſentado el Señor William Tatham, del Secretario de Eſtado de los Unidos de America (de loſque es ciudaciano) para viajar por Reynos Extrangeros; y de la ſolicitud

tud que me ha hecho para que le franque el mio para en el caſo deque paiaſe à Eſpaña, y con el fin deque pueda hallan protecion en alta mar de los Buques de guerra y mercantes Eſpañoles.

Por tanto he venido en concedente el preſente, por el qual pîdo, y encargo á los Almirantes, Gefes de Eſquadra, Comandantes, Governadores, Juſticias Mayores, y demas Oficiales Eſpañoles de mar y tierra, no le pungan impedimento alguno en ſu viaje, uno antes bien le den todo el auxilio y favor que necesìtare, por convenir aſi al Real Servicio.

Dado en Nueva York, firmado de me pûno, y ſellado con mis Armas hoy dia 18 de Agt°. de 1795.

JOSEF DE JAUDENES.

(Gratis.)

Tranſlation in Subſtance.

DON JOSEPH DE JAUDENES, &c. &c. &c.

In virtue of a paſſport from the Secretary of State of the United States of America, preſented to me by William Tatham, an American citizen (as herein named) who ſolicits one from me in caſe of his going to Spain; and in order that he may find protection from all Spaniſh ſhips of war and merchantmen:

Therefore I have determined to grant him this paſſport, by which I requeſt and encharge all Admirals, Chiefs, Commandants, Governors, Juſtices, and other Officers, civil and military, in the Spaniſh land or ſea ſervice, that no impediment be placed in his way; but that, on the contrary, they do afford him all aſſiſtance and favor he may ſtand in need of, ſuch militating in good faith for his Majeſty's ſervice.

Given at New York, under my hand and ſeal, this 18th of Auguſt, 1795.

JOSEPH DE JAUDENES.

D. MANUEL DE GODOY Y ALVAREZ DE FARIA, Rios, Sanchez Zarzoſa: Príncipe de la Paz: Duque de la Alcudia: Señor del Soto de Roma, y del Eſtado de Albalá: Grande de Eſpaña de primera claſe: Regidor perpetuo de la Ciudad de Santiago: Caballero de la Inſigne Orden del Toyſon de Oro: Gran Cruz de la Real y diſtinguida Eſpañola de Carlos III: Comendador de Valencia del Ventoſo, Rivera y Aceuchal en la de Santiago: Caballero Gran Cruz de la Religion de San Juan: Conſejero de Eſtado: primer Secretario de Eſtado y del Deſpacho: Secretario de la Réyna nueſtra Señora: Superintendente general de Correos y Caminos: Protector de la Real Academia de las Nobles Artes,

y de

y de los Reales Gabinete de Hiſtoria Natural, Jardin Botànico, Laboratorio Chîmico, y Obſervatorio Aſtronómico: Gentilhombre de Cámara con exercicio: Capitan General de los Reales Exércitos: Inſpector, y Sargento mayor del Real Cuerpo de Guardias de Corps &c. &c. &c.

Por quanto ha reſuelto el Rey, que Dios guarde, conceder Paſaporte al Senor Dn. Guillermo Tatham, Coronel al Servicio de los Eſtados Unidos de America, que desde éſta Corte paſa à Inglaterra por Bilbao.

Por tanto ordena ſu Mageſtad à los Capitanes Generales, Comandantes, Gobernadores, Intendentes, Corregidores y demas Juſticias, Miniſtros ó perſonas á quienes tocare, no pongan embarazo alguno en ſu viage al referido, antes bien le den todo el favor y ayuda que neceſitare: que así es la voluntad de ſu Mageſtad. De Madrid, á trece de Julio, de mil ſetecientos noventa y ſeis.

EL PRINCIPE DE LA PAX.

Armas del Principe de la Paz.

Traſlation in Subſtance.

DON MANUEL, of Godoy and Alvarez, of Faria, Rios, Sanchez, Zarzoſa; Prince of Peace, Duke of Alcudia, Chief Secretary of State, &c. &c. &c.

Foraſmuch as the King (whom God preſerve) has reſolved to grant a paſſport to William Tatham (as herein named) Colonel in the ſervice of the United States of America, who from this Court goes to England, by way of Bilboa.

Therefore His Majeſty orders all Captains, Generals, Commandants, Governors, Intendants, Corrigidors, and other Juſtices, and every perſon whomſoever it concerneth, to place no impediment or hindrance in the journey of the aforeſaid; but on the contrary, to afford him all the favor and aſſiſtance he may require, for ſuch is his Majeſty's pleaſure.

Madrid, 13*th July*, 1796.

THE PRINCE OF PEACE.

Nous,

NOUS, JEAN STUART, Marquis de Bute, Comte de Windſor et de Bute, Vicomte de Montjoy et de Kingarth, Baron Mountſtuart de Wortley, de Cardiff, de Mountſtuart, de Cumra, et d'Inchmarnock, Pair de la Grande Bretagne et d'Ecoſſe, Gouverneur Generale et Garde des Rolles de la Province de Bute, Conſeiller de ſa Majeſté Britannique en ſon Conſeil Privé, et ſon Ambaſſadeur Extraordinaire et Plenipotentiare pres le Roi d'Eſpagne.

Prions tous cieux qui ſont à prier, de laiſſer librement et ſurement paſſer le Sieur Guillaume Tatham, Colonel au ſervice des Etates Unies de l'Amerique, avec armes, baggages, et equipages, allant d'ici en Angleterre par la voie de Bilbao, ſans faire ni permettre qu'il lui ſoit fait aucun tort ou empechement.

En foi de quoi, nous avons ſigné le preſent paſſeport, et l'avons muni du ſceau de nos armes.

Fait a Madrid, ce 19 Juilliet, 1796.

(Signed) BUTE.

(Gratis.)

Tranſlation in Subſtance.

WE, JOHN STEWART, Marquis of Bute, &c. &c. &c. Privy Counſellor of His Britannic Majeſty, and His Ambaſſador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary near the King of Spain.

Entreating

Entreating all thoſe who are concerned therein, to let paſs, freely and ſafely, Mr. William Tatham, Colonel in the ſervice of the United States of America, with his arms, baggage, and equipage, going from here to England by the way of Bilboa, without hindering, or permitting any impediment to be placed in his way.

In faith of which, we have ſigned the ſaid paſſport, and affixed the ſeal of our arms.

Done at Madrid, this 19th July, 1796.

BUTE.

I beg leave to addreſs one point more to *certain perſons* who have had *curioſity* to enquire "What I have been doing in Spain?"

That I may not, in this reſpect, be thought capable of ſhrinking from the gratitude which I owe to the uniform civilities of all ranks of people in that country in any hour or place, I anſwer, that all things are not proper for them to know. But to ſatisfy the *doubtful ſneer* of this queſtion, I will take the liberty of extracting, in the original language (for thoſe who may chooſe to tranſlate it) the Prince's concluſions in the letter which contains my diſmiſſal, on the 8th of July, 1796, and in one of the 12th of the ſame month, which was *four days later* than

than the order for my inſtantaneous departure; *a time, which I am led to believe, has been allowed to very few under ſuch circumſtances; and yet I remained openly and unmoleſted until the 8th of the following month!*

" Por ultimo que S. M. quiere que Salga V. S. prontamente de ſus Eſtados y ſe dirija donde mejor le pareſca."

" Ci quanto tengo que participar a V. S. cuya vida pido a Dios g^de. m^s. a ^s. Palacio 8 de Julio, 1796."

" B. L. M. de V. S.
" Su maſſeg^ro. y At^o Ser^or.
" EL PRINCIPE DE LA PAZ."

" Repito a V. S. mi ſincera atttention y mis deſeos de que Diosg^de. ſu vida M^s A^s.
" Palacio 12 de Julio de 1796."

B. L. M. de V. S.
Su mas ſeg^ro y At^o Ser^or.
EL PRINCIPE DE LA PAZ.

On theſe grounds, then, I ſubmit the line of future intercourſe to every one's reſpective option; I have herein acquitted my conſcience; and as I am, on my own part, determined to be circumſpect, I truſt I ſhall ſtand exonerated from any conſequent culpability.

WM. TATHAM.

than the order for any inflammatory departure ; a. time, which I am led to believe, has been allowed to very few, under such circumstances ; and yet I re- mained openly and unmolested until the 8th of the following month!

" Por ultimo que S. M. quiere que Salga V. S. prontamente de los Eilados y le dirija donde mejor le parezca."

" Ci quanto tengo que participar a V. S. cuya vida pido a Dios g^de. m^s. a^s. Palacio 8 de Julio, 1796."

" B. L. M. de V. S.

" Su mallg^o. y Ar^o Ser^o.

"EL PRINCIPE DE LA PAZ."

" Repito a V. S. mi sincera attencion y mis deseos de que Dios g^de. la vida M^s. A^s.

" Palacio 12 de Julio de 1796."

B. L. M. de V. S.

Su mas fg^o y Ar^o Ser^o.

EL PRINCIPE DE LA PAZ.

On these grounds, then, I submit the line of future intercourse in every one's reflective option; I have herein acquitted my conscience; and as I am, on my own part, determined to be circum- spect, I trust I shall stand exonerated from any con- tingent culpability.

WM. TATHAM.

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